

Banana Factory Outdoor Sculpture Competition

Deadline: February 1, 2001

Award: \$7,500



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About Us: The Banana Factory is a community arts and cultural center located in Bethlehem, Pa. It was founded in January 1998 and houses two galleries, 23 artist's studios and classrooms, and offers a variety of arts and cultural programs. It's mission is "to kindle, support and celebrate the artistic, cultural and creative spirit of the Lehigh Valley." The purpose of this competition is for a regional artist to express their creativity and originality in a sculpture/sculptural composition that will be permanently displayed adjacent to the Banana Factory. The sculpture should present art as a community experience, accessible to all who visit the Banana Factory. It can be interactive, a light display or anything else the artists' imagination can create. The artwork will be easily viewed by Banana Factory visitors, as well as those who drive pass the facility.

Eligibility: This competition is for all sculptural material suitable for outside permanent display. It is open to artists of at least 18 years of age residing within 100 miles of Bethlehem, Pa.

Award: The winning artist will be awarded a cash amount of \$7,500. This amount must cover all artist, material and installation expenses. This award is being sponsored by Air Products.

Jurying Panel: The panel will include Diane LaBelle, Director of the Banana Factory; Ricardo Viera, Director of Galleries, Lehigh University; Chris Ussler, Registered Architect and Cheryl Dougan, Artist.

Entry Limitations: Each entry should be specific for one of the four locations outlined below. All proposals must contain complete installation and material specifications. Three finalists will be chosen from the pool of entries. Each finalist must create a scaled model of the sculpture to propose to the jurying panel. Each of the three finalists will receive \$50 for materials. The jurying panel will make their decision based on the appropriateness of the sculpture to symbolize the Banana Factory as a dynamic and diverse arts center. Judges will look for creativity, imagination, originality and technique. The written and visual proposal of the three finalists will be retained by the Banana Factory. All proposal materials must fit into a 10" x 13" envelope. See checklist below for complete proposal details.

Locations: Please see site map for further details.

Location A. Corner of Linny Lane and Third Street, area of the Banner Garden
Location B. Corner of Linny Lane and Third Street, wall of building
Location C. Third Street and Northampton, area outside the Sculpture Garden
Location D. Corner of Linny Lane and Second Street

Locations A & B need to include areas for signage, the method of signage should be determined by the artist in the design.

All Artists are encouraged to visit the Banana Factory to see the physical space and to see the building in use.

Calendar:

Feb. 1, 2001 Entry deadline. All proposals must be post-marked by this date.
Feb. 2-12 Proposals will be juried.
Feb. 15 Notifications will be sent.
March 15 Finalists present scaled models to jurying panel between 4 - 6 p.m.
April 2 Finalists will be notified of jurors decision.

Proposal Checklist:

- * Completed and signed Entry Form
- * \$15 Entry Fee (made out to the Banana Factory)
- * Written description of the sculpture to include: Location, Description, Materials, Installation instructions, Timeline, General concept of design and idea, Lighting requirements, Complete budget
- * Visual description of the sculpture to include: Plans of work in color, Drawings from various views
- * Location choice
- * 6-10 slides of previous works
- * SASE for return of materials (materials will not be returned without SASE)
- * Current resume

Entry Fee: There is an entry fee of \$15. Make checks payable to the Banana Factory. Do not send cash. Submit the entry form and fee with your proposal. Unaccepted proposals will only be returned if a self-addressed, stamped envelope is included with the entry.

Liability: Entry in this competition implies consent for all the terms included herein. The Banana Factory will be responsible for all maintenance of the sculpture except for artistic and installation error. The artist understands that, if accepted, the work will become full property of the Banana Factory and all rights for reproduction, publicity and copyright are held by the Banana Factory. All reproductions will give credit to the artist.

Entry Form: Complete all information below and return this form, slides and entry fee to The Banana Factory, Attn: *Outdoor Sculpture Competition*, 25 W. Third St., Bethlehem, PA 18015. All postage charges are the responsibility of the artist.

Name of Artist
Address
City State Zip
Phone E-mail
Artist Signature

Entry into this competition designates compliance and agreement with all terms outlined in this prospectus. Entries without signature will not be considered.